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SUBJECT: US-MEXICO AGREEMENT RE COOPERATIVE
METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATION PROGRAM

REF: 77 STATE 288166

1. AFTER CONSIDERABLE PRODDING AT BOTH FONSEC AND MET
SERVICE, WE HAVE NOW BEEN TOLD BY FONSEC OF FOLLOWING
GOM POSITIONS RE THE PRINCIPAL PROPOSALS OF EMBASSY NOTE
NO. 975 OF JUNE 21, 1976:

(A) RE EXTENDING THE AGREEMENT TO 1981 - THIS IS
ACCEPTED.

(B) RE ADDING THE MANZANILLO STATION - THIS IS ALSO
ACCEPTED.

(C) RE ADDING THE NEW PARAGRAPH 3(L) TO THE MEMORANDUM
OF ARRANGEMENT, THEY CANNOT ACCEPT THIS (LARGELY FOR
FINANCIAL REASONS, WE GATHER).

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2. EMBASSY PROPOSES THAT USG ACCEPT MEXICAN POSITION FOR
TIME BEING, BUT PRESS AGAIN IN ABOUT A YEAR'S TIME FOR
MEXICANS TO BEGIN PICKING UP THESE COSTS, WHICH IS NOT (IN
OUR VIEW) INCONSISTENT WITH EXISTING WORDING OF
MEMORANDUM.

3. EMBASSY ALSO PROPOSES THAT WE PUT IN DRAFT OF NOTES TO

BE EXCHANGED A FEW MORE MINOR ITEMS IN ORDER TO UPDATE
AGREEMENT AND MEMORANDUM, TO WIT:

(A) CHANGE NAME OF MEXICAN COOPERATING AGENCY WHEREVER
IT APPEARS TO THE NATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE,
SECRETARIAT OF AGRICULTURE AND HYDRAULIC RESOURCES.

(B) REVISE "SCHEDULE" LISTED UNDER 3(A) OF
"MEMORANDUM OF ARRANGEMENT" TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

LOCATION OF STATION TIME (GMT) & TYPE OF OBSERVATION

(FOUR COLUMNS AS FOLLOWS) 0000 0600 1200 1800

1) CHIHUAHUA, CHIH.	RWS		RWS
2) EMPALME, SONORA	RWS		RWS
3) GUADALAJARA, JAL.		(RWS)	
4) GUADALUPE IS., B.C.	RWS		RWS
5) LA PAZ, B.C. SUR	P	P	P
6) MANZANILLO, COLIMA		(RWS)	
7) MAZATLAN, SINALOA	RWS		RWS
8) MERIDA, YUCATAN	RWS		RWS
9) MEXICO CITY AIRPORT	RWS		RWS
10) MONTERREY, N.L.	RWS		RWS
11) SOCORRO IS., COLIMA	P	(RWS)	
12) VERACRUZ, VERACRUZ	RWS		RWS

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4. CHANGE NOTE 3) TO THE SCHEDULE UNDER 3(A) OF THE
MEMORANDUM OF ARRANGEMENT TO READ "(RWS) MEANS THAT
THE RAWINSONDE OBSERVATIONS WILL BE MADE".....

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPT AND NOAA CONCURRENCES SOONEST.

6. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THE POSSIBILITY THAT EXCHANGE OF
NOTES COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.
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